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Docket No. PC10877A

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In re Application of:

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**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed on June 18, 2002. A request for a three month extension of time, and the authorization for payment of the appropriate fee, is separately enclosed herewith.

Please amend the claims as follows.